

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Forest Practice Application No.2905193. This project involves the aerial application of herbicides to 180 acres in Cowlitz County to control vegetative competition in conifer plantations. The largest contiguous unit is 80 acres.

Description of mitigation: Water buffer widths meet or exceed Forest Practice minimums. Strict weather guidelines will prevent drift. No treatment will be made to Spotted Owl habitat. No flying over known nest sites of Spotted Owls. Guidelines have been established and will be followed in the event of accident and herbicide spill. This application is consistent with the approved HCP.

Proponent: Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Various in Cowlitz county. See Attachment A of Forest Practices Application No. 2905193 for exact locations.

Lead agency: Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from february 12,204. Comments must be submitted by entury 26,204.

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There is no agency SEPA appeal. 11/09/00